



Spy Pond Committee

Date: Tuesday, Feb 7th, 2023
Time: 7:30pm
Location: Teleconference

Minutes

Attendance: *Brad Barber, Brian Battuello, Judi Berman, Dick Terry, Stoker Rogovin, Bill Eykamp*

Facilitator: Brad Barber
Minutes: Brian Battuello

1. January minutes

Approved

2. Introductions

Members all know each other.

3. Fertilizer flyer distribution for 2023

Dick said Judy had contacted Rachel Oliveri at Arlington High School. They have a group called the Green Team that is interested in helping out. Discussion of precincts covered and number of flyers to order. Discussion of delivery dates. April is the best month.

4. Arlington Sustainable

Stoker send a message about sustainable landscaping. Grants were available to communicate about plantings near ponds.

5. Ice Report

Brian reported roughly 70% coverage from the cold snap after the wind died down. Bill observed two people on the ice for about ten minutes. Brian mentioned news stories about an individual reported missing near Spy Pond who had left some items on the shore. The news reported that he was located and returned home, but did not say if he actually fell through.

6. Spy Pond Trails Day

Lally Stowell of Friends of Spy Pond Park said that they would not have a work day on the same day. Stoker talked about adding new dogwoods. Some budget money is still available. Costs should be around \$200-\$300.

Stoker is looking for additional participants. He has contacted ArMI.

Brian suggested involving the Minuteman Vocational High School horticultural program.

7. Sampson & Weston report on phosphorus source identification

David Morgan sent a report to the water bodies group about a multi-community agreement about reducing phosphorus.

8. Update on sediment and seed bank analysis

Brad met with the New England Botanical Club. Brad made a presentation about Spy Pond including sedimentation data. Brad reviewed an extensive sedimentation report he had produced, as well as sedimentation analysis by UMass. Judy asked some questions about pond treatment funding and schedule.

9. New Business

None

10. Adjournment at 8:34 pm